GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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PROTECTION OF CHEETAS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the breed of Cheetas in India is on the verge of extinction;

(b) if so, the reasons therefore;

(c) whether its unabated poaching is going on to produce medicine from its skin;and

(d) if so, the action being taken by the Government to protect the Indian Cheetas from extinction?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF SATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI):

(a) and (b) Wild Cheetah has been reported to be extinct from India. Main reasonsfor the extinction are reported to be habitat destruction and hunting.

(c) and (d) Does not arise